(b) Does not arise.

(c) Trawlers operate much more than 25 days in a year. The question of providing any relief measures does not arise.

Representation from NFTAI Association

445. SHRI SUBAS MOHANTY: Will the Minister of AGRICULTURE be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government have received any representations from the National Fishing Trawlers and Allied Industries Association on the high berthing rates for fishing boats;

(b) whether it is a fact that high rates are being levied due to the monopoly status of fishing harbours and also high costs due to inefficient running of fishing harbours;

(c) whether any study is proposed to be undertaken to reduce berthing charges, by reducing port trust costs through efficient maintenance and operation of fishery harbours; and

(d) what immediate relief Government propose to grant in this regard?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE AND COOPERATION IN THE MINISTRY OF AGRICULTURE (SHRI SHYAM LAL YADAV): (a) Representation from the National Fishing Trawlers and Allied Industries Association was received by the Visakhapatnam Port Trust for some relaxation in the user charges.

(b) No, Sir.

(c) No, Sir.

(d) There is no proposal to provide immediate relief as the user charges at Vishakhapatnam were fixed in 1979 and have not been revised ever since in spite of escalations in the cost of management and maintenance.

Worsening of water crisis in Delhi

446. SHRI RAOOF VALIULLAH: Will the Minister of URBAN DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that water crisis in Delhi has worsened in the last one month;

(b) whether Government have found out a workable proposition and the matter sorted out to provide adequate water to the capital.

(c) what are the options to augment water supply and the quantum of water to be made available in the coming months; and

(d) what is the capital's share of raw water from Rabi Beas and what is the actual demand?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF URBAN DEVELOPMENT (SHRI DALBIR SINGH): (a) to (c) The pond level in Yamuna river at Wazirabad having got depleted because of low regeneration of water in Yamuna and changes in the release of water into the river, certain parts of Delhi are experiencing shortage of water. Concerted efforts are being made to get adequate releases of water by shorter route to maintain reasonable supply. Some shortage is, however, likely to persist owing to prevailing drought conditions.

(d) 0.2 MAF.

The assessed requirement of water for Delhi is around 472 MGD.

Scarcity conditions in Madhya Pradesh

447. SHRI CHANDRIKA PRASAD TRIPATHI: Will the Minister of AGRICULTURE be pleased to state:

(a) whether scarcity conditions still prevail in many areas of Madhya Pradesh;

(b) if so, the areas declared as drought hit in Madhya Pradesh; and

(c) the nature of assistance given so far or proposed to be given by the Central Government to mitigate the sufferings of the people?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE AND COOPERATION IN THE MINISTRY OF AGRICULTURE (SHRI SHYAM LAL YADAV): (a)

and (b) The State Government has reported that 30 out of 45 districts continue to be affected due to drought in Madhya Pradesh.

(c) A ceiling of expenditure of Rs. 97.50 crores (including Rs. 34 crores for the period from April to June, 1988) has been approved as Central assistance to the State Government for drought of 1987. 50,000 MT of wheat has been allocated to the State Government for distribution amongst labourers employed on relief works, the cost of which is to be adjusted within the ceiling approved.

T.V. transmitter at Jabalpur

448. SHRI CHANDRIKA PRASAD TRIPATHI: Will the Minister of INFORMATION AND BROADCASTING be pleased to state:

(a) by when a high power T.V. transmitter is likely to be set up at Jabalpur in Madhya Pradesh; and

(b) the areas and population likely to be covered by the new transmitter?

THE MINISTER OF PARLIAMENTARY AFFAIRS AND THE MINISTER OF INFORMATION AND BROADCASTING (SHRI H. K. L. BHAGAT): (a) A high power (10 KW) TV transmitter at Jabalpur (in replacement of the existing low power transmitter) is expected to be set up and commissioned into service towards the end of the Seventh Plan period.

(b) A population of about 47.85 lakhs, spread over an area of about 41,000 Sq. Kms. is expected to be covered by the new transmitter.

Increase in prices of Ghee and Butter by Delhi Milk Scheme

449. SHRI CHANDRIKA PRASAD TRIPATHI: Will the Minister of AGRICULTURE be pleased to state:

(a) whether Delhi Milk Scheme has recently increased the prices of its Ghee and Butter;

(b) if so, to what extent and the reasons therefor;

(c) whether DMS proposes to increase the prices of milk also; and

(d) if so, the details thereof and by when?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE AND COOPERATION IN THE MINISTRY OF AGRICULTURE (SHRI SHYAM LAL YADAV): (a) and (b) The prices of ghee and butter have been increased with effect from 1-4-1988 as under:—

Item	Previous price	Present price
Ghee	Rs. P.	Rs. P.
1 Kg poly-pack	52.00	60.00
1 Kg Tin	55.00	64 00
2 Kg Tin	109 00	127 00
Butter		
1 Kg (salted)	42 00	52.50
1 Kg (white)	44.00	54.50

The prices were increased keeping in view the cost of production etc.

(c) and (d) The Matter is under consideration.